

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A sheathed-element glow plug for an internal combustion engine, comprising a plug housing, a connection part for the electrical current which is situated on the plug housing, as well as a tube having an embedded heating element, the connection area and the heating element being electrically coupled via a terminal pin and a contact element, wherein the terminal pin (5) and the contact element (6) are at least partially surrounded within the housing (2) by an electrically insulating plastic sleeve (7).
2. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in Claim 1, wherein the plastic sleeve (7) is a clamping sleeve.
3. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the contact element (6) has a cylindrical shape and the sheathing is completely surrounded by the plastic sleeve (7).
4. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the plastic sleeve (7) has elastic properties.
5. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the plastic sleeve (7) is formed from a plurality of pieces.
6. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the contact element (6) is elastic.

7. The sheathed-element glow plug as recited in one of the preceding claims,  
wherein the contact element (6) is a graphite tablet.